

**Patent Claims**

- 1) A method for reducing food consumption in a subject ranging from 6 to 18 years old comprising administering to the subject a pharmaceutical composition comprising an effective amount of pramipexole.  
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- 2) The method according to claim 1 wherein the subject ranges from 12 to 18 years old.
- 3) The method according to claim 1 wherein the subject has a BMI above the 90th  
10 percentile.
- 4) The method according to claim 1 wherein the subject is given a daily dose of 0.005 to 0.02 mg of pramipexol per kg of body weight.
- 1,5 5) A method for treating obesity in a subject ranging from 6 to 18 years old and having type 2 diabetes comprising administering to the subject a pharmaceutical composition comprising an effective amount of pramipexole.
- 20 6) The method according to claim 1 comprising continuous administration of the composition to the subject.
- 7) The method according to claim 6 wherein the continuous administration comprises transdermal administration.
- 25 8) The method according to claim 1 wherein pramipexol is optionally used in the form of its enantiomer, optionally in the form of the pharmacologically acceptable acid addition salts and optionally in the form of the hydrates and solvates, or the physiologically acceptable salts thereof.
- 30 9) The method according to claim 8 wherein the pramipexol optionally in the form of its enantiomers, optionally in the form of the pharmacologically acceptable acid addition

salts and optionally in the form of the hydrates and solvates or the physiologically acceptable salts thereof is combined with one or more active substances selected from the group consisting of the dopamine-D<sub>1</sub>, D<sub>2</sub>, D<sub>3</sub> or D<sub>4</sub> agonists, anorectics, lipase inhibitors and sympathomimetics.

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10. The method according to claim 5 comprising continuous administration of the composition to the subject.

11. The method according to claim 10 wherein the continuous administration comprises  
10 transdermal administration.